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In re	Patent A	application of)		
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Appli	ication N	No.: 09/749,585)	Examiner: K. Huynh	
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		A Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is enclosed.			
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To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account No. 50-1070 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

In response to the non-final Office Action, dated September 1, 2004, please consider the following remarks:

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